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Case Docket No. 8147

In the Application of

Inventor(s): MATTHEW JOSEPH DOYLE, ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/607,240

Group Art Unit: 1644

Date Filed: June 30, 2000

Examiner: A. DeCloux

Title: PROMOTING WHOLE BODY HEALTH

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2001 and having a period for response of one month thereafter, please consider the amendments and remarks herein.

AMENDMENTIn the Claims

Please amend Claims 1-8 to read as follows.

1. A topical oral composition for treating and preventing oral cavity diseases in human and animal subjects thereby promoting whole body health in said human and animal subjects, said composition comprising a safe and effective amount of an antimicrobial agent and a pharmaceutically acceptable oral carrier, wherein said antimicrobial is selected from the group consisting of stannous ion agent; triclosan; triclosan monophosphate; chlorhexidine; alexidine; hexetidine; sanguinarine; benzalkonium chloride; salicylanilide; domiphen bromide; cetylpyridinium chloride (CPC); tetradecylpyridinium chloride (TPC); N-tetradecyl-4-ethylpyridinium chloride (TDEPC); octenidine; delmopinol; octapinol; nisin; zinc ion agent; copper ion agent; essential oils; furanones; bacteriocins; analogs and salts thereof; and mixtures thereof.



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